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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicants thank Examiner McCommas for the courtesies and thoughtful treatment extended during a telephonic interview with Applicants' representative Michael Guzniczak on June 2, 2011. The Patent Office was also represented by Primary Examiner James Thompson.

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At the interview, the Examiners tentatively indicated that the claims presented in the Amendment dated April 28, 2011 overcome the applied art. Accordingly, Examiner McCommas will conduct a new search and issue a further Office Action after the search has been conducted and the results thereof considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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